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In re Applicant:	§	
Slade H. Gardner et al.	§	
Filed: October 25, 2001	§	Art Unit: 1733
Application No.: 09/998,890	§	Examiner: G. J. Piazza Corcoran
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FABRICATING CORRUGATED COMPOSITE STIFFENERS	§	Docket No.: TA-00499

TRANSMITTAL

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- [X] Amendment and Response to Office Action Mailed December 18, 2003;
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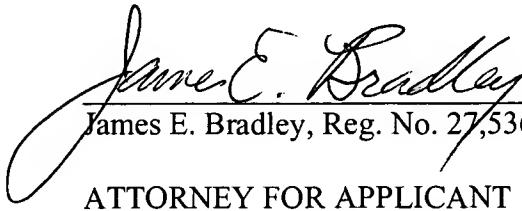
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Respectfully submitted,

Date: March 12, 2004



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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE
TO DECEMBER 18, 2004 OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop: Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 18, 2003, Applicant files the following Amendment and Response. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

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AMENDMENT TO THE TITLE

Method and Apparatus for Fabricating Corrugated Composite Stiffeners